

**STATE OF TENNESSEE**

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 339**

**VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 962**

**By Representatives Todd, McCord, Tindell, Evans, Fincher, Watson, Faulkner, Eldridge, Rowland, McCormick, Bass, Hackworth, Curt Cobb, Carr, Matheny, Mumpower, Floyd, Bell, Lollar, Casada, Rich, Lynn, Harrison, Shipley, Dean, Curtis Johnson, Phillip Johnson, Niceley, Tidwell, Shepard, Hill, Ramsey, Halford, Haynes, Swafford, Maggart, Hensley, West, Montgomery, Dennis, Harry Brooks, Matlock, Dunn, Hawk, Lundberg, Weaver, Roach, Ford, Moore, Fraley**

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1127

By Senators Jackson, Norris, Gresham

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to firearms.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1305(c), is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

(3)

(A) Authorized to carry a firearm under § 39-17-1351 who is not consuming beer, wine or any alcoholic beverage, and is within the confines of a restaurant that is open to the public and serves alcoholic beverages, wine or beer.

(B) As used in this subdivision (c)(3), "restaurant" means any public place kept, used, maintained, advertised and held out to the public as a place where meals are served and where meals are actually and regularly served, such place being provided with adequate and sanitary kitchen and dining room equipment, having employed therein a sufficient number and kind of employees to prepare, cook and serve suitable food for its guests. At least one (1) meal per day shall be served at least five (5) days a week, with the exception of holidays, vacations and periods of redecorating, and the serving of such meals shall be the principal business conducted.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on June 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 14, 2009**



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

**APPROVED this day of 2009**

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PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR

**“See Attachments”**

**\*\*Effective date July 14, 2009\*\***